

Coast to Cascades Community Wellness Network (CCCWN) Regional Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Coalition Meeting Summary Held virtually – Microsoft Teams December 12, 2022 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Participants: Avalon Mason, Bryan Decker, Christine Felt, Chuck True, Curtis Landers, Diana (Dee) Teem, Jef Van Arsdall, Jennifer Beckner, JoAnn Miller, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop, Justin Thomas, Karla Clem, Kiara Huey, Lalori Lager, LaMonte Morgan, Maisa Athamneh, Mara Sargent, Marcia Harden, Marty Cahill, Michelle Means, Molly Gelinas, Sara Hartstein, Sheila Stiley, Shelagh Baird, Stephanie Cameron, Vernon Rose

Welcome/Introductions:

Jennifer Beckner welcomed everyone to the meeting and led introductions.

Meeting Minutes: November 14th Meeting Minutes were not reviewed and approved at this meeting.

Federal/State Grants Reports and Updates:

HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) Implementation Grant – Bridges to Recovery Project Update for Lincoln County:

A HRSA RCORP Bridges to Recovery Grant written report was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) Implementation III Rural Communities Supporting Women and Youth (RC-SWAY) Grant: A HRSA RCORP RC-SWAY Grant written report and Work Plan Highlights was noted and distributed prior to the meeting.

HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program – Implementation (RCORP-I) – Helping Impact Women and Youth (HIWAY) Project Grant for Lincoln County: The HRSA RCORP HIWAY Grant written report was not sent out to the committee and will be reviewed at the January 2023 meeting.

Shelagh Baird made a motion and LaMonte Morgan seconded the motion to approve the HRSA Bridges to Recovery Grant written report and the HRSA RC-SWAY Grant written report. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved.

Legislative Request:

• Chief Marcia Harden shared a letter seeking public support from community partners for a law that is currently in place in Washington, but not in Oregon. The law would hold drug dealers responsible for knowingly and intentionally distributing illicit substances that cause a death of an individual in which when supplied that substance to. Chief Marcia Harnden is looking to submit the letter to their sponsor by the beginning of the next session.

Update Regional Overdoses Data:

- Jennifer Beckner shared the Non-Fatal Opioid Overdose Surveillance Dashboard. Jennifer Beckner mentioned that we have an adequate supply of Narcan in our region now. Our region is looking to develop a similar dashboard that will display fatal and nonfatal overdoses, a few epidemiologists are currently working on this.
- JoAnn Miller shared the regions' non-fatal overdoses for the SHS system. Chief Marcia Harnden spoke to the non-fatal overdoses that took place in Linn County. Sherriff Jef Van Arsdall spoke to the non-fatal overdoses in Benton County.
- JoAnn Miller mentioned that a lot of federal funding is focused on rural communities, which leaves out Benton County and Albany. All other federal funding for urban areas is very competitive with lots of larger cities in the USA applying for those dollars.
- Jennifer Beckner mentioned that there have been an increase in overdoses among youth and there is a need for more youth services. Partnership Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (PAADA), Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians (CTSI) and the Olalla Center are providing prevention services to youth through the HIWAY grant and Linn County Alcohol and Drug (LCAD) through the RC-SWAY grant is providing prevention services towards youth through the LifeSkills curriculum (10-week prevention course for 4th & 6th graders).
- Lincoln County Sheriff confirmed that the overdose numbers are being underreported, and they are looking forward to using ODMAPS once it becomes available.
- Sara Hartstein mentioned that there is a need to convene a meeting or a plan to identify what issues and gaps currently exist other than just a lack of youth services there seem to be many issues that we need to identify.
- Jennifer Beckner mentioned that the opioid settlement dollars were distributed to the counties in Oregon. In Lincoln County, the opioid settlement dollars are going towards supporting the BHRN.
- Jennifer Beckner asked law enforcement, have they seen anything related to xylazine? Lincoln and Benton County sheriffs mentioned that they haven't seen it yet, but that it has reached Portland.

Measure 110 Behavioral Health Resource Network Grants Updates:

- Updates were provided for the Behavioral Health Resource Network grants.
- Each county applied separately for BHRN funding but will continue to work together as a region. Bryan Decker created a referral form. Unite Us can also be used to help with the referral process. IHN-CCO will be able to provide the funding for the Unite Us platform.

• In Lincoln County, they have posted a position to get another prescriber for MAT to work in their OBAT clinic. They have also posted for a harm reduction registered nurse who would work with the harm reduction mobile van. Wound care and vaccinations/treatment could be services that this RN could provide. The biggest success for the BHRN the regional partnership and coordination of the BHRNS.

HRSA Overdose Response Grant – Lincoln County:

• JoAnn Miller shared an opportunity for a 1-year grant under HRSA RCORP. It would be a one-year overdose response grant, \$300,000, that would specifically target Lincoln County. \$150,000 would go towards the renovation of the coastal STARS facility. Lincoln County health dept would provide vaccinations for Hep A, B & C and HIV treatment and prevention. The North Lincoln Hospital Foundation and Pacific Communities Hospital Foundation would provide extra services such as transportation, childcare, rental assistance, etc. for patients who are receiving treatment. The grant application would be submitted under the fiscal agent, Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital. The proposal is due January 19th.

Sheila Stiley made a motion and Jolynn Meza Wynkoop seconded the motion to approve the proposal to apply for the HRSA Overdose Response Grant. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved

RC-SWAY Year Two Budget:

• Molly Gelinas shared that the RC-SWAY grant is seeking approval for the budgeting request for year two. This is not a carryover request; it is simply a re-budgeting. They want to use the funding that was not used in Year one (\$160,000) for opportunities for training/conferences, support for women and youth, supplies for international overdose awareness day, and recovery month, etc.

Bryan Decker made a motion and LaMonte Morgan seconded the motion to approve the request to re-budget for year two of the RC-SWAY grant. The motion was voted upon and unanimously approved

Additional Business/Announcements:

Additional business/announcements were noted.

- Jennifer Beckner the CTSI Harm reduction conference is taking place December 12th 14th. Over 500 attendees were signed up as of last week.
- Vernon Rose introduced himself as the new Program Director for Peer Services for Family Tree Relief Nursery.
- JoAnn Miller In January 2023, Samaritan will be posting their application for Social Accountability Grant Funding. Community partners are encouraged to apply and must do so as a partnership/coalition. An agency on their own are not able to apply. This funding is open to non-profits, government agencies and community coalitions. The application will be due in March 2023 and awards will be given in June 2023. This will be two and ¹/₂ years of funding. Organizations that come together to partner can be from different counties, they don't have to be from the same county.

• Jennifer Beckner – do we want to keep the same 2nd Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m.? The group decided on yes, this is a good meeting time.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2023, at 10:30 a.m.

Adjourn:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jolynn Meza Wynkoop Community Health Promotion